BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

February 9-10, 1977

Wednesday, February 9, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President

Commissioner Ford L. Dean Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe Commissioner Larry Millison Commissioner John K. Parlett

Edward V. Cox, County Administrator Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting came to order at 8:50 a.m.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 2-3, 1977 were read and corrected. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ENCUMBRANCE VOUCHERS

Present: Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Mr. Sterling presented the encumbrance vouchers for the Commissioners' review and approval. Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve payment of the bills, as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

CETA EMERGENCY PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated February 8, 1977 from the Personnel Officer advising that the State Manpower Office has allocated to the County a number of emergency positions and a dollar value for the hiring of individuals because of the current weather conditions. The Commissioners gave their concurrence for the implementation of this emergency program.

POSITION OF CIVIL ENGINEER REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO HIRE

The County Administrator presented a memorandum from the Personnel Officer requesting authority to hire Mr. Daniel F. Ichniowski in position of Civil Engineer in the County Engineer's Office at Grade 17-1.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to authorize the hiring of Mr. Ichniowski to fill the position of Civil Engineer, Grade 17-1, effective as soon as possible, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

STATUS OF CETA PROGRAM

The County Administrator presented a memorandum dated February 7, 1977 from the Personnel Officer bringing the Commissioners up to date on the CETA Program and providing a list of the CETA positions and incumbents. The Commissioners requested the County Administrator to provide them with a list of requested CETA positions.

LETTER TO MCGREGOR AND WERNER

The County Administrator presented a letter for the Commissioners' signature welcoming the firm of McGregor & Werner to St. Mary's County.

PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT ESPERANZA FARMS (SECTIONS 2-F, 3-B, and 5-B)

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented the Public Works Agreement, with required corporate surety bond attached, for Sections 2-F, 3-B, and 5-B of Esperanza Farms Subdivision for the Commissioners' review and approval.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept the Public Works Agreement by and between Robert G. Dean, Margaret C. Dean, Franklin W. Dean, and Mary Gertrude Dean, and St. Mary's County and further to authorize the President of the Board to sign said Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. Four Commissioners voted in favor with Commissioner Dean abstaining.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF COLLATERAL MARYLAND BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

By memorandum dated February 8, 1977, the Director of Finance submitted a request by the Maryland Bank and Trust Company for release of collateral in the amounts of \$45,000 and \$70,000. Since collateral held to secure deposits of St. Mary's County (\$1,838,000) far exceeds total County Funds on Deposit (\$7,845.53), Mr. Sterling recommended approval of said release.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign the Release Agreements in the amounts of \$45,000 and \$70,000, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Present: Mike Gardner, Leonardtown Rescue Squad J. Abell Longmore, Leonardtown Rescue Squad

The above individuals presented Certificates of Appreciation to the Board of County Commissioners and to Mr. Cox, County Administrator, for their services to the Leonardtown Rescue Squad in connection with the obtaining of their grant for the new rescue squad vehicle.

COMMISSION ON AGING EMERGENCY SERVICES TO OLDER PERSONS IN CURRENT WEATHER CRISIS

Present: Billye McGaharn, Executive Secretary Commission on Aging

Mrs. McGaharn brought to the Commissioners' attention a notice from the Administration on Aging stating that funds from Title III or Title VII can be used to take care of emergencies for older persons arising from the current weather crisis. Mrs. McGaharn stated that there are available funds in the Title VII Program.

After discussion, Commissioner Dean made a motion to approve the concept as presented regarding utilization of Title VII money for the cold weather crisis cases with the understanding that the money to be used shall be available within Title VII and not exceed funds in the Title VII grant and that the identification and contact of individual cases be coordinated with Social Services and similar agencies, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

LEGISLATIVE ITEM

The County Administrator advised the Commissioners that the County Attorney recommends that the Commissioners endorse sending to the legislators a letter requesting the deletion from the present county public local laws Sections 215 (2) through 211 as they conflict with the Zoning Ordinance and are unnecessary because of Article 66B of Maryland State Code.

The Commissioners authorized Mr. Cox to proceed with the preparation of this item to submit to the legislators on February 10.

TRI-COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

The County Administrator advised the Commissioners that Calvert County Commissioners have changed the meeting date for the tri-county Commissioners to March 2, at 6:00 p.m. in Hughesville.

MEETING WITH BOARD OF EDUCATION

The County Administrator advised the Commissioners that the meeting with the Board of Education to discuss the alternative learning program as it relates to the Charlotte Hall property has been changed from February 15 to February 14.

PURCHASE OF TOURIST MAPS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY

The Bicentennial Commission obtained prices from two firms for the printing of 50,000 18x23 color tourist maps of St. Mary's County:

Kirby Lithographic Company, Inc.

-\$6,250

Enterprise

-\$6,480

The Bicentennial Commission recommended awarding the bid to Kirby Lithographic, the lowest bidder.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to authorize the Bicentennial Commission to obtain 50,000 18x23 maps from Kirby Lithographic Company, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners voted in favor.

AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE BIDS FROM TAX SALE

Commissioner Parlett made a motion to authorize Commissioner McKay or Mr. Cox, County Administrator, to review and approve the bids for the sale of property as a result of delinquent tax payments, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

AWARDING OF BID FOR PREPARATION OF BASE MAPS

Present: Richard L. Platt, Director, Land Use and Development

Mr. Platt advised that bids were received on January 17, for the preparation of a St. Mary's County base map with overlays, and recommended awarding the bid to Charles M. Burroughs, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$2,000.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept Mr. Platt's recommendation and award the bid to Charles Burroughs for the preparation of St. Mary's County Base Maps in the amount of \$2,000, seconded by Commissioner Millison. All Commissioners voted in favor.

AWARDING OF BID FOR PRINTING OF ZONING ORDINANCE AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

Present: Richard L. Platt, Director, Land Use and Development

Bids were opened January 17 for the printing of the St. Mary's County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Only one bid was received, which was from Free State Surveying and Land Planning - \$3,950 for the printing of the Zoning Ordinance and \$1,265 for the printing of the Subdivision Regulations. Mr. Platt recommended that the Commissioners accept the bids from Free State.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept Mr. Platt's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Millison. All Commissioners voted in favor.

UPDATE OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

Present: Richard Platt, Director, Land Use and Development Frank Gerred, County Planner John Norris, County Engineer

At this time the Commissioners discussed some final refinements to the Zoning Ordinance and agreed that the public facilities requirement should be referred to the County Attorney to determine its adequacy and the conditional zoning section should be referred to Joe Densford, Planning Commission Attorney for his comments. Mr. Platt should return to the Commissioners' in a week's time with the final typed copy of the Zoning Ordinance for the Commissioners' review.

FOSTER CARE FOR THE ELDERLY

Present: Joseph Carter, Director, Social Services

Mr. Carter appeared before the Commissioners to advise that the Title 20 funds that had been requested eighteen months ago for the Foster Care for the Elderly Program was not forthcoming and he was therefore requesting half of the \$15,000 that the Commissioners had appropriated in the 1977 Budget. Mr. Carter stated he would implement this Program with his present staff, but was working with the Personnel Officer to obtain a CETA position.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence for the use of \$7,500 from the 1977 budget to implement the Foster Care for the Elderly Program.

EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD OF EDUCATION - FIFTH DISTRICT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Present: Dr. Robert E. King, Superintendent of Schools James Raley (School Construction)

The Commissioners agreed to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss the possible acquiring of a site for the Fifth District Elementary School. The Session was held from 11:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

LEONARD HALL RENOVATIONS

Present: Joe O'Dell, Budget Officer

Commissioner McKay stated that the Commissioners have met with the County Engineer and the Building Committee to discuss the collective bargaining negotiations that have been going on between one of the bidders of the Leonard Hall project and the Building Committee. The Commissioners inquired of Mr. O'Dell that if the Commissioners should decide to accept the recommendation of the Building Committee what would be the funding method of that project. Mr. O'Dell should present this information in writing to the Commissioners for next week's meeting.

OPEN MEETING BILL

With regard to the suggested changes to the Open Meeting bill, Commissioner Dean suggested that just the "house-cleaning" items be addressed and that the County Administrator prepare this legislation and provide copies to the news media.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL

Present: Edward V. Cox, County Administrator

The Commissioners agreed to meet in Executive Session in order to discuss matters of personnel. The Session was held from 12:55 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.

Thursday, February 10, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President

Commissioner Ford L. Dean

Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe Commissioner Larry Millison Commissioner John K. Parlett

Edward V. Cox, County Administrator Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting reconvened at 8:50 a.m.

SURFACE TREATMENT PROGRAM ASPHALT OVERLAY PROGRAM

Present: John Norris, County Engineer
Walter Wise, Highway Inspector

Mr. Norris and Mr. Wise reviewed with the Commissioners the 1977 Surface Treatment Schedule and the Asphalt Overlay Program. During the discussion, it was recommended that the following roads be included in the Surface Treatment Program: Johnson Road, Old Hermanville Road, and Bushwood City Road. In addition, Busy Corner Road was deleted from the Surface Treatment Program and added to the Overlay Program.

There was discussion concerning the condition of Woodburn Hill Road due to the hauling of gravel and the fact that the Amish people travel this road by horse and buggy causing damage, which would perhaps negate the possibility of any resurfacing to this road.

The Commissioners gave their concurrence to the Surface Treatment Program with the indicated changes and would address the Asphalt Overlay Program during the budget process.

ROAD MAINTENANCE BUDGET

Present: John Norris, County Engineer Walter Wise, Highway Inspector

Mr. Norris and Mr. Wise made the Commissioners aware of the fact that because of deterioration of the roads caused by the recent inclement weather, there was the possibility that the County would spend in excess of the budget allocation in the Highway Maintenance Account and direction was requested by the Board. The Commissioners directed that required funds be spent in order to maintain public roads in a safe, passable condition and requested the County Engineer to monitor the situation as closely as he could within the fiscal constraints of the budget and to keep the Commissioners apprised of any required action.

LINCOLN AVENUE SOUTHAMPTON SUBDIVISION

Present: John Norris, County Engineer Walter Wise, Highway Inspector

Mr. Norris presented a draft letter to the residents of the Southampton Subdivision addressing the problems which have been raised by the residents and discussed with the Commissioners at their meeting of February 2, 1977. The Commissioners agreed to review the letter and prepare it in final form for next week's meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

APPROVED BY,

James M. McKay, President County Commissioners